(b) and (c) The income-tax records show that Shri Goenka had borrowed funds on interest from certain companies of his group and had in turn, given interest-free advances to other persons, resulting in losses to himself. In the assessments for the assessment years 1984-85 and 1985-86, the assessing officer found that the business losses shown by Shri Goenka arose mainly from deductions for interest payments. He held that considerable portion of the money borrowed on interest was utilised by Shri Goenka for advancing interest-free loans and for other non-business purposes. Accordingly, he disallowed substantial amount of interest payments. The assessee has disputed these disallowances in appeal.

Killings in Punjab

818. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
DR. BAPU KALDATE:
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the number of deaths of terrorists and other citizens in Punjab since the beginning of this year, monthwise, terroristwise, citizen-wise and place-wise;

(b) the number of terrorists arrested since January, 1988 and released unconditionally since January, 1988; and

(c) what concrete steps have been taken to restore confidence in the people of Punjab from fear of terrorists?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) The steps taken to curb terrorism in Punjab include erection of fence on the most vulnerable stretches of the border, strengthening of police and para-military forces and supply of modern weapons and equipments to them, conducting of raids of flush out illicit arms and ammunition, setting up of village protection force pickets and involvement of the people in the fight against terrorism.

Agitation against the construction of Narmada Sagar Project

819. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an agitation against the construction of Narmada Sagar project from the environment angle;

(b) if so, what are the details of this agitation;

(c) what action Government have taken on the points raised by the agitators; and

(d) whether Government have entered into any discussion and dialogue with those who are agitating against the construction of this project?

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Reservations have been expressed against the construction of Narmada Sagar project on its environmental and social implications covering the following:

—Irrigation and power generation benefits are not commensurate with the social and ecological cost of submerging almost 92,000 ha. area.

—Rehabilitation plans for the wild-life as well as almost 130,000 human beings affected by the project are not available

—Apart from the destruction of rich forests a number of religious monuments and holy shrines will be submerged.

—Introduction of irrigation in black cotton soil areas will only create problems of water logging, salinity and increased incidence of water borne diseases; and

—Reservoir Induced Seismicity will introduce an element of danger in the lives of the largely tribal population whose social fabric is being destroyed.

(c) and (d) The project authorities are in touch with the Non-Government Organisations, social organisations and other concerned agencies so that their genuine concerns are properly provided for.

The Narmada Control Authority has been modified to include Union Secretaries of Environment & Forests and Welfare along with Chief Secretaries of the concerned States to enable decision making at the highest administrative level.

Two Sub-Committees on environment and rehabilitation have been set up by the Narmada Control Authority under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Environment & Forests) and Secretary (Rehabilitation) respectively to formulate realistic Environment Management and Rehabilitation Master Plans.

दिल्ली में होम गार्डों के लिए वर्दियां

820. **श्री सुनील कुमार पटनायक** : क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली में होम गार्डों की भर्ती के लिए आवेदकों को अपने वेतन से नई वर्दियां खरीदनी होती हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ;

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो क्या सरकार किसी गुप्त एजेंसी से इस मामले की छान-बीन कराने का विचार रखती है ;

(घ) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ;

(ङ) क्या यह भी सच है कि उच्चतर अधिकारी सरकार से उक्त वर्दियों की राशि का दावा करके मांग करते रहे हैं ;

(च) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार इस प्रथा को रोकने के लिए कोई कार्यवाही करने का विचार रखती है ; और

(छ) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री संतोष मोहन देव) : (क) जी नहीं श्रीमान । निर्धारित मानदण्ड के अनुसार होमगार्ड के स्वयंसेवक निःशुल्क वर्दी प्राप्त करने के हकदार है ।

(ख) से (छ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

Checking illegal trafficking from Pakistan

821. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether, keeping in view the large quantity of narcotic drugs and arms seized by the Indian Border Security Forces during the last few months, Government have considered desirability of holding an immediate discussion with their counterparts in Pakistan in order to work out and implement a joint action plan to check the illegal trafficking from Pakistan;

(b) if so, whether any steps have been taken in this regard; and

(c) what is the response of the Pakistan Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC